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For: METHOD OF TREATING DISC HERNIATION AND DISC DEGENERATION WITH CONCENTRATED GROWTH AND DIFFERENTIATION FACTORS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 1, 2002, Applicant is adding a new claim 5 and respectfully requests that this species be examined at this time.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claim 5 as follows:

5. The method of claim 1, wherein the factor injected with the spinal canal or disc is a platelet-rich plasma.

Respectfully submitted,

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